Machine Learning & Data Mining Lecture 6

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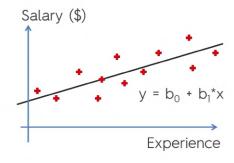
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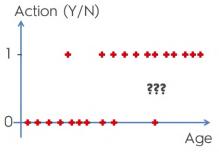
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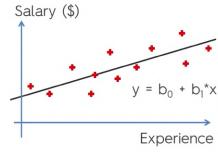
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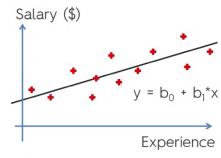
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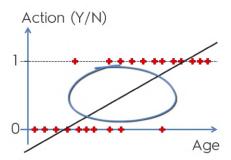


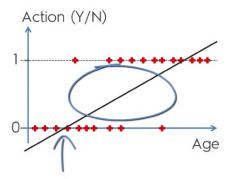


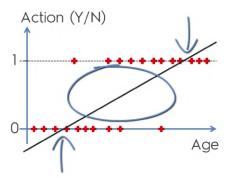
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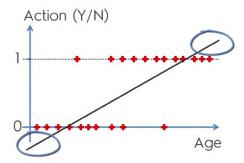
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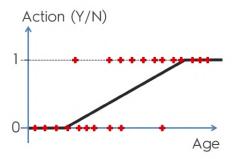




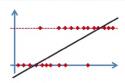


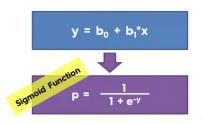


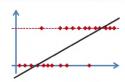


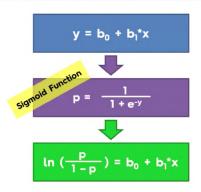


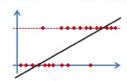
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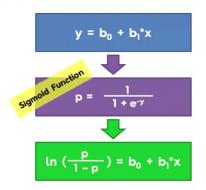


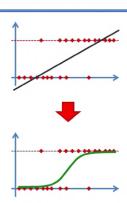






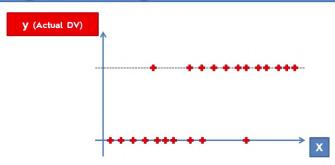


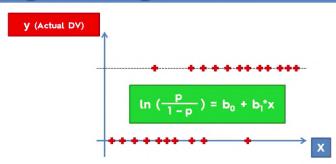


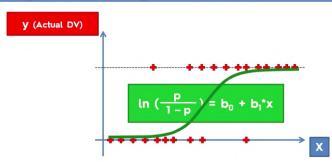


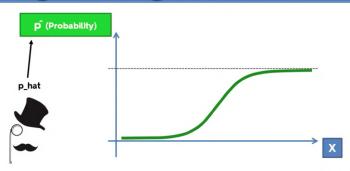


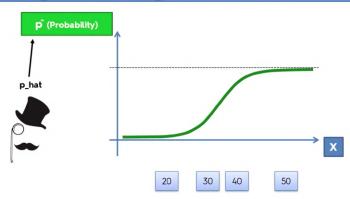
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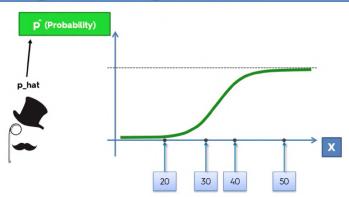


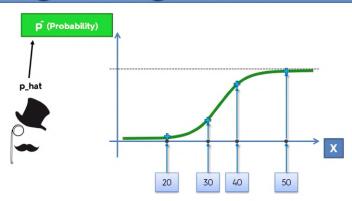


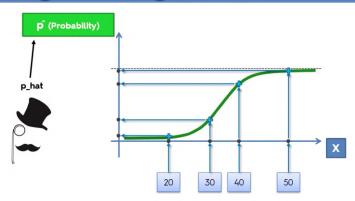


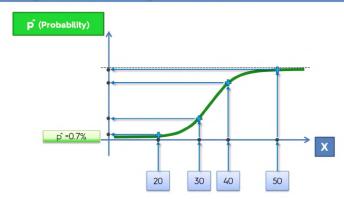


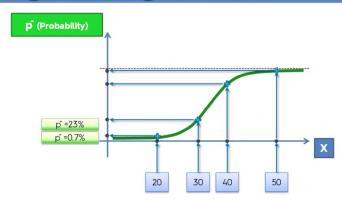


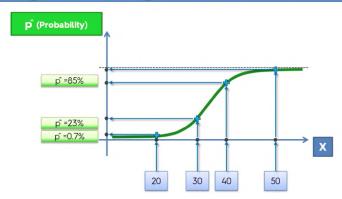


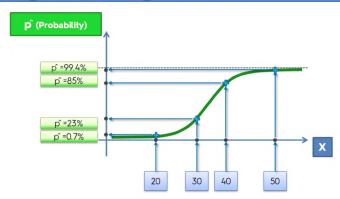


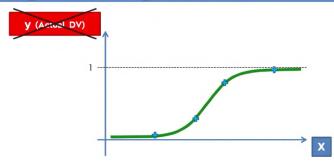


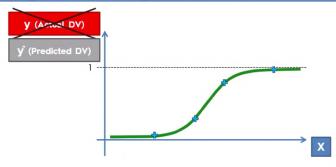


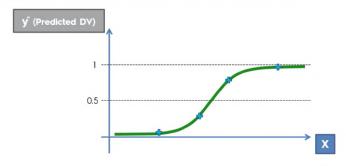


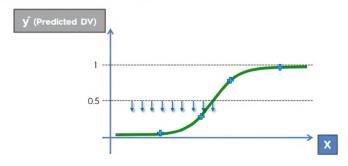


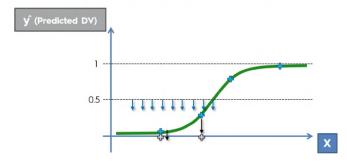


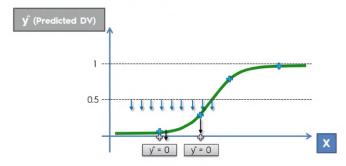


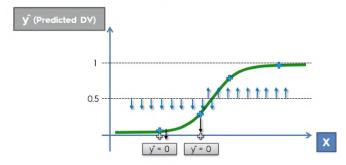


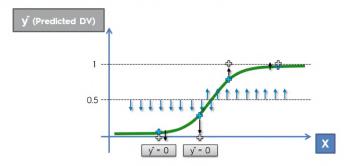


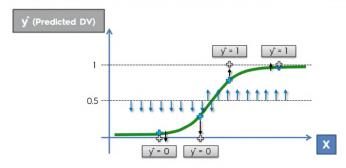












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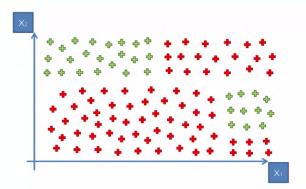
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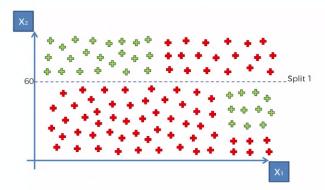


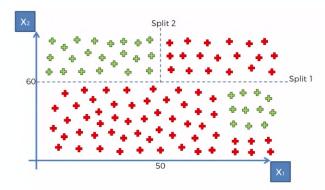
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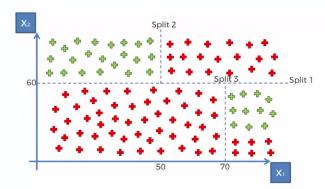


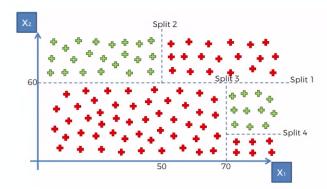
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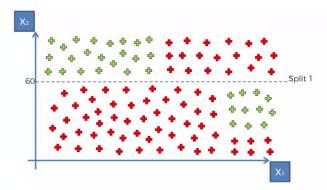






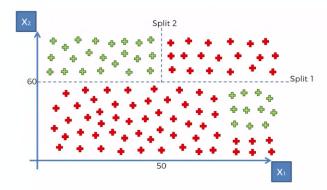


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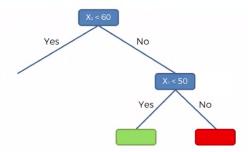


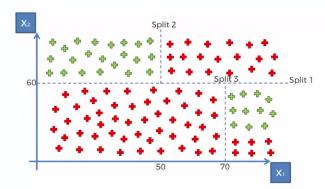
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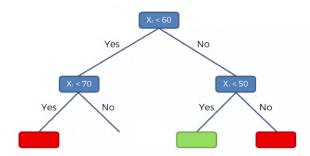


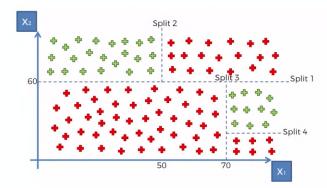
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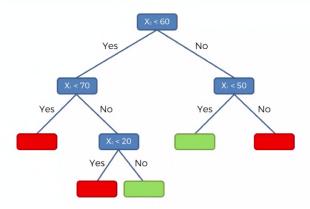


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Making the Splits

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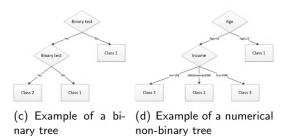
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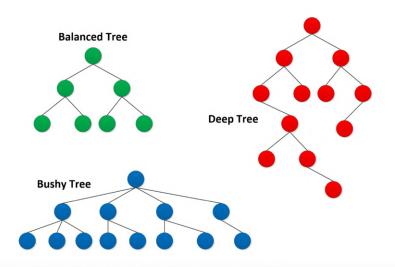
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Decisions trees can be categorized according to three criteria:

- The type of data: Numerical, Categorical, Mixed
- The type of nodes: Binary leaves, multiple leaves
- The overall shape of the tree





 Deep trees are usually very biased, can't generalize much outside of their training set and are difficult to interpret.

Setting the right Depth for your tree

Most Decision trees algorithms will allow you to choose the maximum depth of your tree.

- How Deep is too deep will depend on the complexity of the problem
- Deeper trees tend towards overfitting, while less deep trees will tend towards underfitting.
- The best option is to start from a deep tree and to prune it in a way that minimizes the error on the training set.
- While balanced-trees are usually the most preferable option, bushy trees should not be frowned upon in problems with a lot of classes, or when they can help reducing the depth of the tree.

Pros & Cons of Decision Trees

Pros

- Intuitive, easy to understand and to use
- Build comprehensive models
- The most commonly classifier for decision making
- Can learn in a single sweep

Cons

- The process to build the tree is complex
- There are always several possible trees
- Choosing the depth of the tree is a complex decision
- Does not work well with datasets that have too many attributes.

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Random Forest Classification Model

Random Forest Intuition

STEP 1: Pick at random K data points from the Training set.



STEP 2: Build the Decision Tree associated to these K data points.



STEP 3: Choose the number Ntree of trees you want to build and repeat STEPS 1 & 2



STEP 4: For a new data point, make each one of your Ntree trees predict the category to which the data points belongs, and assign the new data point to the category that wins the majority vote.

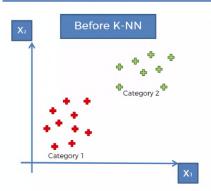
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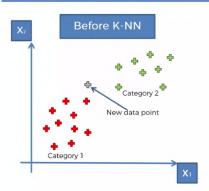
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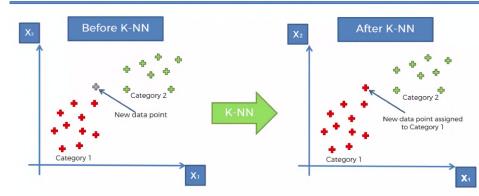
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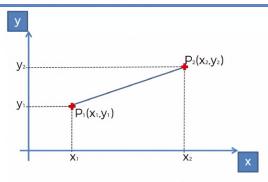
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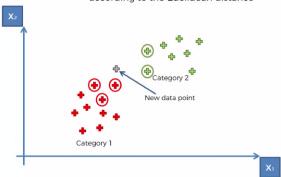


STEP 4: Assign the new data point to the category where you counted the most neighbors

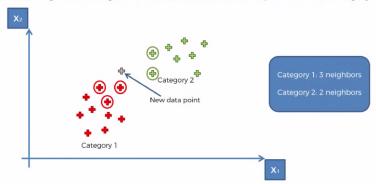


Your Model is Ready

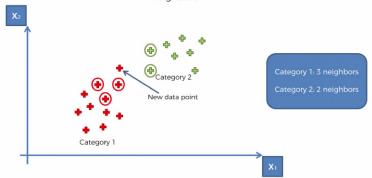
STEP 2: Take the K = 5 nearest neighbors of the new data point, according to the Euclidean distance



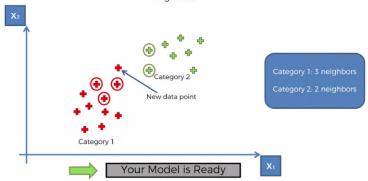
STEP 3: Among these K neighbors, count the number of data points in each category



STEP 4: Assign the new data point to the category where you counted the most neighbors

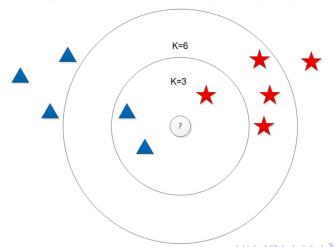


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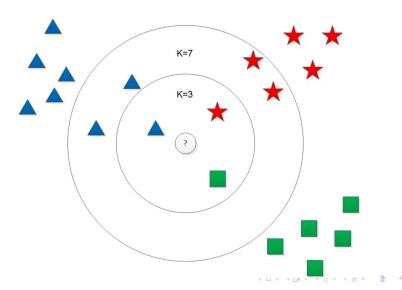
K is a critical parameter that can render the algorithm quickly unstable:

• Depending on the K, the class changes completely.



With more than 2 classes, things can quickly become complicated

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- Because the distance between instances is based on all the attributes, less relevant attributes and even the irrelevant ones are used in the classification of a new instance.
- Because the algorithm delays all processing until a new classification/prediction is required, significant processing is needed to make the prediction.

The **Weighted Nearest Neighbors** solves 2 of the previous problems by adding a weight w_k to each neighbor.

Examples:

$$w_k = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{k} & \text{if } k \le K \\ 0 & \text{if } k > K \end{cases}$$

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Remark

The real Weighted Nearest Neighbors classifier uses a much more complex weight system that satisfies $\sum_{n=1}^{N} w_{ni} = 1$.

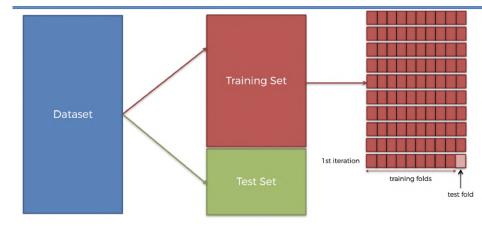
Pros & Cons of the K-NN Model

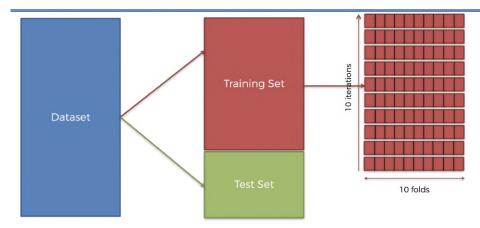
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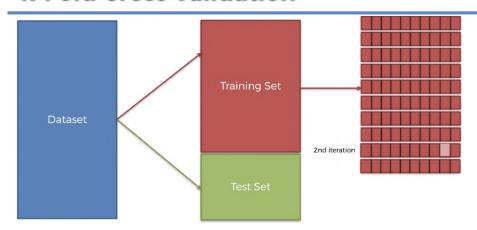
- Very simple and intuitive
- Low Complexity
- Great results with well-behaved classes

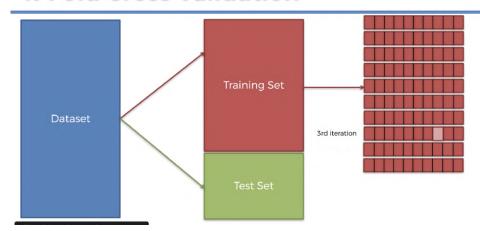
Cons

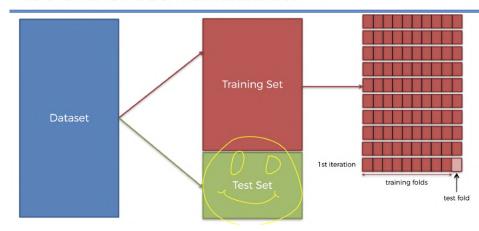
- No model: No way to properly describe each class. No possibility to re-use the knowledge
- Does not scale well because it requires to store all the training set
- Critical choice of the parameter K
- III-adapted for categorical data











Let's get Started!

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